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COUNTRY East Germany REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Koethen Airfield

EVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1X PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1A

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SOURCE [REDACTED] 25X1X

1. The following observations were made at Koethen airfield between 29 June and 10 July 1953:

29 June. No aircraft or air activity were observed at the field.  
30 June. In the evening hours, 30 MiG-15s were parked at the field. Air activity was conducted by aircraft which mostly took off in elements of twos. 25X1B

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2. On 16 June, 13 shrapnelproof aircraft revetments were completed west of the AA gun emplacement in the southeastern corner of the field and an additional shrapnelproof revetment was under construction. Chippings were unloaded from 22 railroad cars on the spur track, raised along the embankment, and then trucked to the revetments.
3. On 17 June, a barrier was erected by the Soviets north of the gap in the fence. This barrier was closed when aircraft approached for landing.

25X1A [REDACTED] Comment. Koethen airfield is occupied by two fighter regiments. This occupation has probably not changed. Aircraft [REDACTED] were previously observed in Merseburg.

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